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Charity MATHEMATICAL SCHOOL

In *Hatton-Garden.*

Founded *Anno Domini* 1715.

By *Joseph Neale*, late of *Grays-Inn*, Esq; deceased.

Afterwards Augmented by and out of the Charitable
Dispositions of

Mr *John Newman*, Citizen and Poulterer of
London, deceased.

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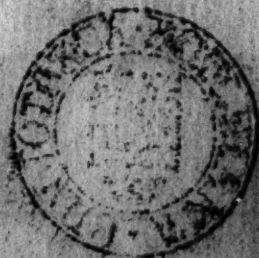
An ACCOUNT of its REVENUES, RULES and BY-LAWS.

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in the *West*, *St. Bride's*, *St. Andrew* in *Holborn*, and *Farringdon Ward* within, or some other adjacent Charity-Schools, to be approved by the Majority of the Trustees present at their Meetings. — And that such Trustees or the major Part of them, should have Power to make such Orders and By-Laws as they should think fitting and best for electing Boys out of the said Charity-Schools, and for the better governing, applying and directing the Charity in such manner, as might best answer the End thereof, and for that Purpose that the Sum of Five Hundred Pounds should be paid unto two of the said Trustees.

Which Report of the said Master, was soon afterwards absolutely confirmed by the Authority of the said Court.

On the 7th of *February*, in the said Year 1715, the Doctor procured a Meeting of the said Trustees, (with whom before he had consulted about the Application of the said Money) and acquainted them with the said Decree, Proposal and Report, and the Confirmation thereof as aforesaid, and desired them to accept the said Trust; and they accepting the same, the Doctor paid the said Five Hundred Pounds to the said Mr *Hoare*, and Mr *Appleby*, and afterwards the Doctor, by the Allowance of the said Court of Chancery, applied and paid an additional Sum of One Hundred Pounds for the Use of the said Charity, both which Sums, together with Seventeen Pounds Ten Shillings contributed by the Trustees, was afterwards laid out in the Purchase of three Annuities sold by Act of Parliament, one of them for Twenty Pounds, and the other two for Ten Pounds each, which were assigned to the said Trustees for the Purpose aforesaid.

The Trustees of the said several Charity-Schools, being acquainted with this Design, agreed to pay for teaching each Boy taken out of their School Twenty Shillings towards the Charge, and moreover the Trustees of *St. Bride's* were pleased to find a School Room for some Time gratis.

And upon the aforesaid Fund, and the Encouragement aforesaid, Mr *Neale's* Trustees chose a School-master, and set up their School in the said Year 1715, for Twenty poor Boys to be taken in thereto, and taught Navigation, and made Orders or Bye-Laws for governing thereof, and chose the said Mr *Henry Hoare* for their Treasurer.

Upon this Foundation the School went on, and from the Beginning thereof to the Year 1735, several Boys were taught the Art of Navigation, and One Hundred and Five were bound out to Sea Service, and many might have been bound out, had not their Parents or Friends, in some Instances, prevented

prevented it, which Obstacles could not be altogether removed by whatsoever Agreement was made with the Parents to the contrary, when their Children were admitted.

But yet partly from the Narrowness of the Fund, and partly through the Trustees of some of the Charity-Schools not continuing their Payments, the Trustees of this School were under great Difficulties to support and keep it up; which being observed by Mr *Benjamin Hoare* then Treasurer, (chosen in the Room of the said *Henry Hoare* his Brother, deceased) *William Gardner*, Citizen and Distiller of *London*, and Mr *Henry Newman* (both since deceased) being the Trustees of the charitable Dispositions of Mr *John Newman*, late Poulterer and Citizen of *London*, made by his Will bearing date the 11th of *August*, 1727, they, under a Decree of the High Court of Chancery made the 16th of *June*, 1732, in a Cause between the said *William Gardner* and others Plaintiffs, and *David Courtier* and others Defendants, whereby it was referred to Mr *Kynaston*, one of the Masters of the said Court, to receive such Proposals for the putting in Execution the charitable Designs of the said Mr *John Newman*, as the Trustees of the said Mr *Newman* should think fit to give in. Accordingly the said Trustees did desire that the clear Rents and Profits of two Houses in *Villar's* street in the Strand, from *Midsummer* 1733, should be applied towards the better Support of this School, in regard it appeared to them to be supported with great Difficulty, &c. reserving to themselves and their Heirs, (according to the said Will) a Liberty of disposing the said Rents towards the Support of any other Charity-School, and for so long time and times as they shall at any time thereafter think most proper; which said Proposal the said Master, by his Report bearing date the 5th Day of *August*, 1734, made in the last mentioned Cause approved of, and the same on the 6th Day of the said *August*, was absolutely confirmed by the Authority of the said Court.

Note, Dame *Elizabeth Holford*, by her Will dated the 19th of *November*, 1717, amongst divers other Charities, gave Two Hundred Pounds for the Use and Benefit of this School, but by some Miscomputation or Loss of her Estate, (not now remembered) only One Hundred and Fifty Pounds thereof was paid, which was the Proportion, in an Average, with her other charitable Legacies, belonging to this School, this One Hundred and Fifty Pounds, and all other Sums which could be reasonably saved, have been from Time to Time, with its Interest, laid out in the Funds or other publick Securities, and are now all vested in the Sum of Eight Hundred Pounds in the joint Stock of (Old) South Sea Annuities, which stand in the Name of the said Mr *Benjamin Hoare* the Treasurer.

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Note. The Number of Boys taught Navigation, and fitted for the Sea Service, and bound out thereto by the Trustees of the Charity-Schools from whence they were taken, from the Beginning of the School to this Time, is Two Hundred and Sixteen.

Note. The Trustees of the Charity-Schools of St Andrew Holborn, are and ought to be regarded as great Benefactors to this School, for affording it a School-Room in Hatton Garden gratis, not only in itself convenient, but most conveniently situated of any that can be found.

Some further Account of this School may be collected from the Rules and By-Laws by which it is governed which follow.

R U L E S and B Y - L A W S

For the Government of the said *Charity Mathematical School*, made at a full Meeting of the Trustees for Reviewing the former Orders, and establishing new ones for the better governing, applying and directing the said Charity.

I. **T**HAT Minutes of all the Proceedings and Transactions of the Trustees, at their several Meetings, be first taken in Paper by the Master or one of the Trustees present, and afterwards fairly transcribed into the Minute Book, and at the next Meeting be compared with the Paper, and signed by the Trustees then present or any three of them, if no new Objection be offered thereto.

And whereas great Inconveniences have arose by the Smallness of the first Number of the Trustees, and although such Number hath lately been considerably Increased, according to the Power given them at the first Institution of this School, yet so many Gentlemen have not accepted or attended the Trust, as are sufficient to carry on this Charity to such Advantage as might be hoped for did a greater Number attend their Meetings, and were such Meetings more frequent : Therefore it is agreed and ordered from henceforth,

II. That the present Trustees be at liberty to propose at any stated Meeting concerning this Charity, such well disposed and charitable Gentleman or Gentlemen as they shall think fit, to be a Trustee or Trustees of this Charity;

city; and that at the next following Meeting such Gentleman or Gentlemen be chosen a Trustee or Trustees (if at such next Meetings no Objection be made to the contrary) and thereupon he or they be acquainted therewith, and desired to accept the said Trust.

III. That there be nine stated Meetings of the Trustees in the Year; that is on the Third *Wednesday* in the Months of *April, May, September, October, November, December, January, February, and March*, held at the School precisely at Eleven of the Clock in the Forenoon from *Michaelmas* to *Lady-day*, and at Five of the Clock in the Afternoon from *Lady-day* to *Michaelmas*. Of every such Meeting the Master of the School, by one or more of his Scholars, shall give Notice in Writing to every one of the Trustees three Days beforehand, and as often as any special Business is to be done, the same shall be mentioned at the Foot of such Notice.

IV. That the Treasurer for the Time being, or any other three of the Trustees, may appoint a special or extraordinary Meeting or Meetings, upon any other Days and at other Hours upon extraordinary Occasions, as he or they shall think fit; whereof such Notice is to be given as aforesaid: but no Sum of Money exceeding Two Pounds is to be then disposed of, at such special or extraordinary Meeting.

V. That any Three of the said Trustees present either, at such stated or extraordinary Meetings, whereof such Notice shall have been given as aforesaid, shall be a sufficient Number to act and do Business.

VI. That this School do consist of Twenty Poor Boys, taken from the Charity-Schools nearest thereto, if they may be had, or such other of the said Schools from whence they may conveniently come, who shall be taught the Theory of the Art of Navigation, and also the Art of Perspective and Drawing, so as to enable them to take and draw Plans, Sea-Charts, Maps of Harbours, and such other things as are necessary to be observed by Mariners; as Rocks, Shoals, Lands, Appearances of Land, Woods, and such like: and take Care that the Boys do improve in Writing and Arithmetick, and do keep them to the Practice of a strong Round Hand. For teaching which Twenty Boys as aforesaid, Thirty Pounds per Annum is to be paid to the said Master quarterly, by the Treasurer, without any other particular Order for that Purpose.

VII. And whereas the Master of the School, without Assistance, is well able to teach Forty Children, therefore he is at Liberty to take into the said School Twenty more of such Poor Boys, and teach them Navigation, &c.

as aforesaid; for which he shall have an additional Salary of Twenty Shillings for each Boy, above the original Number of Twenty that he shall teach; the same to be paid by the Treasurer quarterly, with his said Salary of Thirty Pounds *per Annum*. But the Treasurer is to be first certified of the Number and Names of the supernumerary Boys, and from what Schools they come, by the Master thereof.

VIII. That the Master do take no poor Boy into the School who is unhealthful, or hath any bodily Weakness or Infirmary, or who is not of a robust or strong Make and Constitution; nor take in any under the Age of Thirteen Years, or which has not before learned at least the four first Rules of Arithmetick, or that he shall judge incapable of being taught Navigation, or whose Parents, Guardians or Friends, are not willing (when it is thought fit) that he should be bound for Seven Years, and put to serve at Sea in some Man of War or Merchant Ship; and who shall not first enter into a Bond or Obligation to the Treasurer for the Time being, in the Penalty of Ten Pounds for such Boy's being bound out to such Master as the Trustees of this School, or the Trustees of the Charity-School from whence they came, or the greater Part of such respective Trustees present at their respective Meetings shall think fit. And that the Master do keep a Book, wherein shall be entered the Christian and Surname of all the Boys in the School, and of their Age, when taken in, and from what Charity-School they come, with the Names of such Security, and when bound out, and to whom, and which shall be otherwise discharged; distinguishing the Boys in the School under two Heads, one for the Twenty Boys for which his Salary of Thirty Pounds is to be paid, and the other for the supernumerary Boys, for whom he is entitled to the additional Salary.

IX. That the Master do teach the Boys of this School on *Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays*, throughout the Year, seven Hours in the Day; that is to say, from Eight in the Morning till Twelve, and from Two in the Afternoon till Five, the *Mondays* in every *Easter Week, Whitsun Week, and Christmas Day, and Good Friday* only excepted.

X. That the Master do keep an exact monthly Account (according to the Usage of the Charity-Schools) of the Attendance of the Boys of the School, and of their Absence at the Hours above appointed, both in Morning and Afternoon; and the Causes of such Absence; and when they are bound out or otherwise discharged, do lay such Account before the Trustees from Time to Time, and do also give Notice to the Trustees or Schoolmaster of the Charity-School from whence any Boy came, of his Absence, or being discharged, and the Cause of his Discharge.

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XII. That when any Boy is bound out to Sea, there be given him a Quadrant, *Hudson's Navigation*, and such other Things as the Trustees from Time to Time shall think fit.

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XIII. That the Treasurer, without any Order of the Trustees in that Behalf, do pay any Bill of incident Charges of the School, not exceeding Forty Shillings, he taking a Receipt for the same at the Foot thereof.

XIV. And whereas the Treasurer is authorized to receive, and does receive the Payments on the long Annuities, and of the South-Sea Annuities, and Rents of the two Houses in *Killars-Street*, being the Revenue of the Trust; and out thereof does from Time to Time defray the Master's Salary, and other Charges of the School; and that it's fit such Account should be given in, audited, and settled once a Year, if required: Therefore, the Meeting in *April* yearly, shall be the Time of settling such Account, whereof mention shall be made at the Foot of the Notice to be given of such Meeting.

XV. That the Master and his Scholars, at every Anniversary Meeting of the Treasurers and Trustees of the Charity-Schools, and their Children, do meet at their Rendezvous, and walk in the Procession, with their Instruments in their Hands, to the Church, appointed for the Annual Sermon: And that Six Pence be given to every of the Boys in this School, who shall then attend, and do behave themselves decently and orderly, both in the Procession, and at Church, and back again.

XVI. That a proper Person be yearly desired by the Trustees to visit this School, and to examine the Boys concerning their Progress in the Knowledge of *Navigation*, and do make his Report thereof. And that such Visitation be had at the Meeting in *February* in every Year; and that the Trustees, at their own Expence, do on that Day dine together, and entertain such Visitor, and that he be paid One Guinea for his Trouble.

*The first Wednesday
in March*

XVII. That these, and all such other Rules or By-Laws, as shall be hereafter made for the Government of the said School, be read at the Monthly Meeting in *January*, before any other Business be gone upon.

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REVENUE

Income of the School

CONSISTS of two long Annuity Orders on his Majesty's per Ann.
Receipt of Exchequer at Westminster, the one dated 21 October, 1707, N^o 987, made out in the Name of the Governor and Comp. for making Hollow Sword Blades in England; and of George Chapman, of London, Goldsmith, for Payment of an Annuity of 20 l. for 99 Years, from the 25th of March, 1707, ————— 20 0 0

The other Order, dated 18th November, 1707, N^o 382, made out in the Name of the said George Chapman, for the Payment of an Annuity of 10 l. for 99 Years, from the 25th of March, 1707, ————— 10 0 0

Both which Orders are grounded upon an Act of Parliament, in the Fifth Year of the Reign of her late Majesty Queen Anne, for continuing the Duties on Low Wines and Spirits, of the first Extraction, and the Duties, &c. &c. &c. for establishing a Fund, &c. for Payment of Annuities to be sold, and for raising a further Supply for the Service of the Year 1707, &c.

One other like Order, dated 10th October, 1706, N^o 4743, made out in the Name of Lewis Stuckley, of the Middle Temple, London, Esq; for Payment of an Annuity of 10 l. for 99 Years, from 25th March, 1706, grounded upon an Act of Parliament in the Fourth Year of Queen Anne, for continuing an additional Subsidy of Tonnage and Poundage, and certain Duties on Coal, Culm, and Cinders, and additional Duties of Excise, &c. for Payment of Annuities to be sold, &c. for the Service of the Year 1706. ————— 10 0 0

Carried over ————— 40 0 0

APPENDIX

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Which said Annuities stand assigned to

Mr. EDWARDS,
Dr. DODD,
Dr. ROBINSON,
Mr. BENJAMIN HOARE,
Mr. ROBERT BISHOP,
Mr. NEWBY,

By Assignments dated 17th May 1737 and the said Order remain with Mr. Hoare for Receipt.

Brought over — l. s. d.
per Ann. 40 0 0

Note, The Annuities arise from Mr. Neale's Charity as afore-
said.

Also of two Messuages or Tenements in Villars-Street in the
Strand, one in the Occupation of
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at the yearly Rent of

N. B. These two Messuages were appropriated to this School,
out of the charitable Dispositions of the said Mr. John Newman,
from Midsummer 1733.

Note, The Trustees in whom the said two Messuages, and the
Inheritance thereof in Fee Simple are vested, are the afore-
said Mr. Hoare, Mr. William Southouse, and Mr. William Wallis,
by Indentures bearing Date respectively, the
Anno Domini,

Of the Sum of 800*l.* in the Joint Stock of (Old) South Sea An-
nuities, at 4 per Cent. per Ann.

Note, In the Purchase of these 800*l.* Annuities, Dame Elizabeth
Holford's Legacy of 150*l.* with the Interest which had
been made of it, was employ'd.

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The TRUSTEES of this School.

	A	M R. Christopher Arnold, Banker, in Fleet-Street. <i>Treasurer</i>	
	B	Samuel Burroughs, Esq; Master in Chancery.	<i>James Lamb Esq</i>
		Captain Robert Bootle, Hatton-Garden.	<i>Deputy Horsnail</i>
<i>Dead</i>		Christopher Burrow, Merchant, Hatton-Garden.	<i>Holborn</i>
		Robert Bishop, Merchant, Throgmorton-Street.	<i>M^r Saunders Welch</i>
		Mr Thomas Boon, Whitechapel.	<i>High Holborn</i>
		Mr Stephen Le Bass, St Giles's in the Fields.	<i>Step. Hawley Esq</i>
	C	Sir John Chapman, Bart. Broad-Street, London.	<i>Bedford Row</i>
<i>Dead</i>		Thomas Clendon, Gent. Shire-Lane.	<i>Peter Holford Esq</i>
<i>Dead</i>	D	Pierce Dodd, M. D. Red-Lyon-Square.	<i>M^r in Chancery</i>
	E	Vigerus Edwards, Esq; Bedford-Row.	<i>John Edwards Esq</i>
<i>Dead</i>	G	Sir John Gonson, Knt.	<i>Old Jewry</i>
	H	Benjamin Hoare, Esq; Treasurer, Fleet-Street.	<i>M^r Tim. Helmsley</i>
<i>Dead</i>		Mr Deputy Horsnail, St. Andrew's Church, Holborn.	<i>Threadneedle Street</i>
<i>Dead</i>		Mr John Hudson, Silver-Street, Bloomsbury.	<i>Deputy Rich. Mohl</i>
<i>Dead</i>	E	Francis Lutterell, Esq; Little Chelsea.	<i>M^r James Hodges</i>
<i>Dead</i>	N	Mr Samuel Newey, Stocks-Market.	<i>at the Looking Glass</i>
<i>Nicholas</i>	R	Thomas Robinson, M. D. College of Physicians.	<i>London Bridge</i>
	S	Colonel William Sotheby, Bloomsbury-Square.	<i>S^r Rob^t Lubboke</i>
		William Southouse, Gent. Milk-Street.	<i>Knt. & Alderman</i>
	T	Mark Thurston, Esq; Master in Chancery.	<i>Stingby Bethel</i>
<i>Dead</i>		Thomas Turner, Merchant, College of Physicians.	<i>Esq^r Alderman</i>
<i>Rich^d</i>		Mr Rees Thomas, King-Street, Westminster.	<i>M^r Edward Pincke</i>
<i>Dead</i>			<i>Parish Church Street</i>
	F I N I S.		<i>M^r Blackwel</i>
			<i>Banker Lombard St.</i>
			<i>M^r James Hicks</i>
			<i>Hatton Garden</i>
			<i>M^r Wm Bowden</i>
			<i>March^t Billiter Lane</i>

